Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.
The Cumberland contact number for
Children's Services to speak to a
Duty Social Worker who is based in

Cumberland Safeguarding Hub 0333 240 1727 (day or night) should you have any concerns.



Anybody with a concern about a child in Cumberland can contact Children's Services on this single number



Ruth Colley School Designated Safeguarding Lead & Headteacher



Abbie Pike
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Rachael Walsh Deputy Safeguarding Lead & SENDco



Safeguarding Information for parents



Letting Our Lights Shine

Headteacher: Ruth Colley

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Tel: 01946 592940 Revised August 2025 St Bridget's C of E School recognizes the importance it gives to all pupils' welfare and Safeguarding.

The purpose of this good practice leaflet is to share with you our excellent safeguarding practice and the responsibility we have to Safeguard all pupils.

"No single professional can have a full picture of a child's need and circumstances and, if children and families are to receive the right help at the right time, everyone who comes into contact with them has a role to play in identifying concerns, sharing information and taking prompt action." (Working Together to Safeguard Children, HM Govern-

The school's Safeguarding Policy applies to all staff and other adults, working in school, who come into contact with children.

The safety and welfare of all children is the responsibility of everyone working in school. Ruth Colley is the Designated Safeguarding Lead with responsibility for Safeguarding/child protection and Abbie Pike, or Rachael Walsh in their absence.

The Nominated Governor with responsibility for Safeguarding/child protection is Eliza Treme-Swailes



St Bridget's C of E School is committed to the welfare of our children and we regard the safeguarding of children as paramount.

The school works to safeguard children through;

- Safe processes-the school's policies are there to safeguard children
- Establishing and maintaining a safe environment where children feel secure and will be listened to in an open positive atmosphere
- Ensuring that children know that there are named adults in school and can name who they can approach if they are worried or in difficulty
- We actively seek the views of children, listening to them and involving them in decisions about their education.
- Including in the curriculum activities and opportunities for PSHE, drugs education, anti-bullying initiatives and lessons which equip children with the skills they need to stay safe from abuse
- Making any referrals necessary to ensure the well-being of a pupil
- Encouraging a high level of attendance and punctuality
- A commitment to develop productive, supportive relationships with parents
- Involving children in decision making through the school 'Beacons' system.

.....' The police, clinical commissioning groups and the local authority are under a duty to make arrangements to work together, and with other partners locally, to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children in their area. Everyone who comes into contact with children and families has a role to play'....

Children and Social Work Act 2017

Mobile Phones

As safeguarding is a priority at St Bridget's C of E School we ask that any visitors or parents do not use their phones whilst on the school site.



Useful contacts

Further information and guidance on the procedures can be found on the Cumbria

Local Safeguarding Children's Board website:

https://cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk/



Other useful websites include the NSPCC and Barnados.

For help and support referrals can be made to the child and adolescent Mental Health team (CAHMS) tel: 01900 324200

and The Howgill Centre tel: 01946 62681